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Applicant: Mark Yoseloff Examiner: V. Mendiratta
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- ☒ Response to Office Action (10 pages)
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Return postcard

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	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Present Extra	Rate	Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	30	-	30	0	x 9.00 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	-	6	0	X 40.00 =	\$0.00
[] MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED						\$0.00
TOTAL						\$0.00

There is no fee due to the fact there are no additional claims. If there are subsequent fees for this submission, they are hereby authorized to be withdrawn from Deposit Account Number 50-1391.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on May 8, 2001.

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed IN RESPONSE TO THE office Action mailed on March 8, 2001. **PLEASE CONSIDER THIS LETTER AS AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ANY FEES OR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS AMENDMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 50-1391.**

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph bridging page 1, line 21 through page 2, line 3 to correct a spelling error on page 1, line 26 (where "wining" appears in place of 'winning') and replace the paragraph with:

One possible limitation to a still broader expansion of poker in casino operations may be the relatively low hit frequency of the highest ranked reward, the Royal Flush (approximately every 40,000 hands), when compared to the apparent frequency of slot machine jackpots. Additionally, in many poker games, the most frequent events will be a push (e.g., a win that is equivalent to the amount of the original wager) or a loss of the initial wager. Although the addition of wild cards can increase the frequency of winning outcomes and increase the relatively high apparent rank of hands, the win or payouts will normally begin at a higher rank of hands, the win or payouts will normally begin at a higher rank of hand (e.g., at least three-of-a-kind in some wild card games) and the amount of the payout (as a factor of the original wager) will usually decrease with respect to each rank of hand. For example, in five card draw poker (with